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6 ..... 3½

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Hongkong, 1st August, 1895.

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Hongkong, 10th August, 1895.

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI  
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T. JACKSON,

Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895.

Amusements.

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R. G. G. BRADY begs to announce that

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IN AID OF THE FUNDS OF THE  
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Several Ladies and Gentlemen have kindly

consented to assist.

TICKETS can be obtained at Messrs. KELLY

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PRICES.—\$3 & \$1.

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Hongkong, 6th August, 1895.

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MASONIC.

ZETLAND LODGE,

NO. 525, E.C.

A NECESSARY MEETING of the above

LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'

HALL, Zetland Street, on THURSDAY, the 15th

instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting

Brothers are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 9th August, 1895.

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PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF

HONGKONG, No. 1165, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above

LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'

HALL, Zetland Street, on FRIDAY, the 16th

instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting

Brothers are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 10th August, 1895.

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Hongkong, 1st July, 1895.

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THE COMMERCIAL UNION ASSURANCE

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are prepared to accept Risks against LOSS or

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For Particulars, apply to

W. M. MACLEAN,

LOCAL MANAGER, HONGKONG-BRANCH,

Connaught House,

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Hongkong, 1st July, 1895.

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## Intimations.

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ASBESTOS PACKINGS OF every description.

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ASBESTOS COMPOSITION for COVERING BOILERS and STEAM PIPES.

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ASBESTOLITE, the most economical Lubricant.

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Hongkong, 25th February, 1895.

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Offley Forrester's OLD TAWNY PORT.

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EXTRA SPECIAL LIQUEUR WHISKY.

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Hongkong, 6th August, 1895.

Today's  
Advertisements.

ALMOST SOLD OUT!

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH'S  
PAMPHLET  
ON THE  
KUCHENG MASSACRE.  
PRICE, 50 CENTS PER COPY.

The demand for Copies of this Pamphlet being much greater than was anticipated, orders for same cannot be attended to after 8 A.M. TO-MORROW, but up to that hour orders to post copies by the Enclosed Mail to any address in the United Kingdom will, as far as the supply permits, receive the prompt attention of

THE MANAGER  
The Hongkong Telegraph Office,  
No. 6, Pedder's Hill,  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1895.

HONGKONG, CANTON AND MACAO  
STEAMBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

CHEAP EXCURSION TO MACAO.

WEATHER Permitting, the Steamer "HONAM" will make a SPECIAL TRIP to MACAO next SUNDAY, 18th August, and leaving HONGKONG at 9 in the Morning, and returning will leave MACAO at 10 P.M.

In the Afternoon there will be a GRAND RELIGIOUS PROCESSION in honour of the 7th Centenary of SAINT ANTONY and in the Evening a FANCY FAIR and PYROTECHNIC DISPLAY.

RETURN FARE, \$2. No Second Class or Single Fares.

TICKETS may be obtained at the Company's Office or on board the Steamer before leaving.

C. TOMLIN,  
Acting Secretary,  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1895. [1097]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
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FOR TIENTSIN.

"KWEIVIANG,"  
Captain Dawson, will be despatched TO-  
MORROW, the 15th instant, at Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1895. [1020]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, SHANGHAI, CHEFOO  
AND NEWCHWANG.

THE Steamer "HOIHOW,"  
Captain Sales, will be despatched TO-  
MORROW, the 15th instant, at Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1895. [1077]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

"HAILOONG,"

Captain Hall, will be despatched for the above  
Ports on FRIDAY, the 16th instant, at Day-  
light.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1895. [1100]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI, VIA SWATOW.  
(Taking Cargo and Passengers at through rates  
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"CHOYSANG,"

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on FRIDAY, the 16th instant, at 4 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1895. [1101]

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FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL

THE Steamer  
"BENMOHR,"

Captain Clark, is due here To-morrow and will  
be despatched as above on FRIDAY, the 16th  
instant.

Rate of Freight for Matting \$1 per ton of 40  
cubic feet.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1895. [1036]

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION  
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA (DIRECT).  
THE Company's Steamship

"YUENSANG,"

Captain W. Waddington, will be despatched as  
above on SATURDAY, the 17th instant, at 5  
P.M.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation  
for First-class Passengers.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1895. [1098]

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.

THE Steamer  
"ARGYLL,"

Captain Duncan, will be despatched on MON-  
DAY, the 19th instant.

For Freight, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1895. [1071]

THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVI-  
GATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR LONDON, VIA PORTS OF CALL.

THE Company's Steamship

"OOPACK,"

H. Sommer, Commander, will be despatched as  
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Hongkong, 14th August, 1895. [1102]

To-day's  
Advertisements.

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SPATEN BEER.  
\$1.450 Per Case of 4 dozen Quarts.  
\$1.650 Per Case of 8 Pints.  
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1895. [1099]

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HOUSES IN RIPPON TERRACE.  
SECOND FLOOR of No. 1 and  
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OFFICES.—  
FIRST FLOOR No. 7, PRAYA  
CENTRAL, lately occupied by  
MESSRS. HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1895. [1097]

Apply to  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT  
& AGENCY Co., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 14th August, 1895. [1097]

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DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &  
COMPANY, LIMITED.  
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,  
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AERATED WATERS.

SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

SODA WATER.

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GINGER ALE.

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DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are  
made under the constant supervision of a duly  
qualified English Chemist and will bear compa-  
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Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MESSES and  
other Large Consumers.

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SEEDS.

SEASON 1895-96.

Our First Supplier of these best Quality  
Seeds have arrived, and Orders will be executed in  
the sequence in which they are received as  
long as the supply lasts.

SEED LISTS  
with  
HINTS FOR GARDENING

have been issued and can be obtained on  
application.

Our Seeds are all tested before being put up  
in LONDON.

They are packed under our own Supervision,  
and the greatest care is exercised to insure  
protection in transit.

Sowings should be made in FINE WEATHER  
ONLY and the remainder of the packets secured  
from damp, and kept in a dry place for repeat  
sowings.

CLAY'S FERTILIZER.

A high-class Fertilizer for Pot Plants and for  
use in the Garden generally.

It supplies natural nourishment to the soil,  
and assists the process of assimilation, thereby  
aiding the Plants to attain to their full size,  
vigour and beauty.

Sold in Tins containing 10 lbs. each....\$1.75.  
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Directions for use are given on the Label.

RANSOME'S "NEW PARIS"  
LAWN MOWERS.

The Best and Cheapest Machines in the Market.  
For Sale at Manufacturers' Prices.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

On the 28th ultmo the Japanese cholera return  
for the current year stood thus:—10,567 cases;  
6,392 deaths.

LIEUTENANT Meinecke, a staff officer of the 16th  
Regiment of Artillery, has been appointed  
Military Attaché to the German Legation in  
Tokio.

IT is probable that the formal arrangement of  
the terms of the new China-Japan Commercial  
Treaty will be commenced about the end of this  
month, at Tientsin.

At the commencement exercises of Dartmouth  
College, Hanover, N.H., the other day the  
honorary degree of LL.D. was conferred upon  
Rear-Admiral Belknap, U.S.N.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1842.

Hongkong, 14th August, 1895. [1099]

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1895.

THE INDIGNATION MEETING  
AT AMOY.

We publish in another column minutes of a public meeting held at Amoy in connection with the Kucheng massacre. We congratulate Mr. CASS and those acting with him on the clearness of their views and on the manner in which they have given expression to them. We regret that the Consul, Mr. GARDNER, was invited or allowed to take part in the meeting; not because of any objection to Mr. GARDNER himself or of any doubt as to his feelings in the matter, or as to his action if he were free to take action. He is one of the few members of the British Consular body in China for whom we have considerable respect and who has shown himself prompt to act and not afraid of responsibility. We object to his presence at the meeting because his official position required from him certain reservations and compelled the meeting to modify the expression of its feelings and opinions in a way it would not otherwise have done, and for the worse. The resolutions passed by the meeting were for transmission to Lord Salisbury. The sufferers at Kucheng were principally English subjects. It is the direct duty of England to obtain satisfaction and redress. It was the direct object of the meeting to bring home to the British Government that duty and responsibility, yet the words, "the British Government are omitted from the third resolution to gratify Mr. GARDNER's susceptibilities and save him from giving offence to his superiors, and what was originally an effective expression of public opinion in Amoy that the British Government should do something, is turned into an idle statement that "so nobody" ought to do something! What is everybody's business is nobody's business in politics as elsewhere. The fourth resolution was emasculated in the same way, and for the same reasons! It is for the British Government to decide, undoubtedly, what measures it will adopt or what guarantees it will require, but it is equally the right and the duty of British subjects, on the spot and fully cognisant of the facts, to advise that Government what are, in the particular case, the fit and proper guarantees to demand. The occupation of the two open ports of Foochow and Amoy, both in Fukien province, is the only effective guarantee, because such occupation will bring home to the minds of the Fukien Viceroy and his officials, and to the intelligence of the Taku Forts would not, although the seizure of these latter would probably operate more efficiently in Peking. What is needed is that as the Chinese Government will not punish the officials and the province or district directly implicated, they should be punished or frightened into good behaviour by the knowledge that foreign Powers will take the place of their own government and exact penalties from the really guilty, and on the spot. The occupation of Amoy and Foochow might be misrepresented in the northern provinces and explained away, but the Fuhkien people could make no mistake as to the reasons and motives for it or as to the lessons to be learned from it, and they would take those lessons to heart. Foochow at least should be occupied, and a strong escort of English soldiers or sailors should attend the Commission to Kucheng.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

RE-ELECTION OF THE SPEAKER.

LONDON, August 13th.

The Right Hon. W. Courtenay Gully, Q.C., has

been re-elected Speaker of the House of Com-  
mons.

THE QUEEN'S SPEECH.

The Queen's Speech will be read on Thursday.

THE DEMONSTRATION AT TANGIER.

The British ironclads have left Tangier.

GREAT BRITAIN IN AFRICA.

An expedition composed of 400 blue-jackets

and Native Auxiliaries will proceed from Mon-  
treal to attack the Mysore tribe.

(This is the sort of action that is very badly

needed, and would be fully justified, in respect

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women and children at Kucheng—Ed. H.K.T.)

RE-OPENING OF THE SPEAKER.

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English official adequate rank. Delay dangerous our outports Mission stations.

"CHIRRA", Public Meeting.

Our Shanghai exchanges received to-day, contain the following interesting references to the recent awful massacre at Kucheng:—

YOUNG VOLUNTEERS.

From the discussions raised by the "Express" issued from this (Mercury) office yesterday, signed "Six Volunteers" (which was issued to bring about a spontaneous movement) it has become evident that there is a very general wish on the part of the Shanghai Volunteers to offer their services to go to Foochow. All that is needed is for some one in a position to start the movement to step forward. We feel confident that if the Major commanding the Volunteer Corps or the Chairman of the Municipal Council were to issue a call for a meeting of the Volunteers to-morrow, they would find that more than 75 per cent. of the members would be anxious to offer their services. While these might not be accepted by the weak "powers that be," the men offer would show the feeling in Shanghai, which is that something, and something strong, should be done, and that at once. Is there no one in authority who will take the initiative and thus give the men a method of showing their feelings? It would be a shame if there is not.

LORD SALISBURY'S ACTION.

The announcement telegraphed by Reuter, that Lord S. has demanded an escort for Mr. Mansfield to Kullen (Kucheng) and insists on the execution of the perpetrators of the massacre, is extremely unsatisfactory. It is plain that the British Foreign Office has failed to grasp the situation. Mr. Mansfield can do nothing without a guard of honour to show the determination of the British Government to act independently. It may be twenty, or it may be fifty; the Chinese are too rank cowards to show any fight. Two gunboats off Fongchow will never any attack. Affairs are too grave to admit of any mere shuffling or dilly-dallying. If a special Commission, under a powerful chief were sent out from England with a fleet to command obedience to his bidding, the position would be improved. Nothing short of drastic measures can now avail.—*Mercury.*

THE MONSTER CHOU HAN.

There is one otherthing that should be done. The impure fountain in Human of the lies that set the common people against foreigners, lies that are implicitly believed by the common people and by many of their superiors too, must be cleaned out. A force must be sent to Chou Shan in Hunan, and the Hunanese must be brought to see that they are not invincible; and the great enemy of foreigners, Chou Han, must be punished. It is true that the best men China has had of late years, the Pengs and Tses and Tungs, have come out of Hunan; and that such good men come from Hunan, where it is only that the truth about foreigners wants to be known, is another argument for opening up the province.

These suggestions are possibly too drastic, for Peking and Dowling Siree, and they will immediately be denounced as "Impractical" and "Insulting to China" by Sir Haliday Maclear, who is too often the adviser of our Foreign Office on Chinese matters, but they represent what should be done if we are to maintain our prestige and security in China, and there is nothing in them, in fact, the best interest of China.—*V. C. Daily News.*

TAKE THE LAW INTO OUR OWN HANDS."

The only thing left for Europeans to do now is to take the law into their own hands, and to make up a party and visit these scenes of outrage and murder and avenge the blood of their countrymen and women. Would that it was near Shanghai, where hundreds would answer to the call for vengeance. It blamed this time to a society called "Vegetarians." It was blamed before on a society called "Kolobuk," and who will be blamed next? We maintain that those who are most to blame are the Foreign Ministers, who have ill-served with the instigators of these murders and outrages, instead placing matters in a proper light before their Government. We want ready Sir Harry Parkes and a few Alabamians to deal with these officials known as the Tsung-ll Yamen. We do not believe that secret societies are at the bottom of these brutalities, but that it is the officials who erg on the literat who in their turn work on the feelings of the people, by spreading vicious lies of the most infamous kind. Then again we have the so-called vernacular press published in Shanghai, which, instead of pointing out the truth, has helped to spread false reports and accused foreigners of enormities which they knew perfectly well were untrue. Such papers have no right to exist.

FATAL CONCESSIONS TO CHINESE ARROGANCE.

Sir Thomas Wade, British Minister to China, was one of the finest Chinese scholars of his day and a most amiable gentleman, but owing to the disastrous effects of the change which he inaugurated in England's policy towards China, the evil fruits of which we are reaping to-day, we prefer not to write his obituary at any great length at the moment, as in doing so we could not avoid referring to the disastrous concessions and mistakes—particularly his own and partly those of the Foreign Office—with which his name is associated in China. It is curious that his first act of fatal concession to Chinese arrogance was made in Foochow, in the once notorious Kuanan Mission case, from which dates the British official policy of cowardly trucking to the savage Chinese.—*China Gazette.*

CORRESPONDENCE.

We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.

THE KUCHENG MASSACRE.

To the Editor of the "Hongkong Telegraph." Sir—I beg that you will allow me space to publish in your valuable paper the following to correct some statements in some of the local papers:—

It was published that China has broken the Treaty. I fail to see this and understand why the British Government do not take any step in the matter, and that I would at once call the public's attention to the wording of the treaty in Section No. 9 of the Treaty between England and China.

Trusting you will oblige

A BRITISH SUBJECT.

Hongkong, 10th August, 1895.

[We publish the letter although we feel doubtful whether the writer has given us his true name or not. He has certainly not given any address. Again, let me repeat we shall be very glad to hear from our Chinese friends on any subject and to publish their letters, but we must be furnished with the true names and addresses (the number of the house and the street) of the writers. These are never published except by desire, but we never have the means of ascertaining that the communication is genuine. We apologize for the delay in publication, but we were making inquiries.—*Ed., H.K. Telegraph.*]

## THE JAPANESE IN FORMOSA.

### DETAILS OF THE TOKOHAM DISASTER.

#### JAPANESE OFFICERS AND PRIVATE COMMIT SUICIDE.

YOKOHAMA, August 3rd.

The last batch of Japanese correspondence from Formosa contains little news of any general advance to the south, being chiefly concerned with the guerrilla warfare in the vicinity of Taipoh, Taku-ham, and Shihchah. Among numerous stories of gallant deeds on the part of Japanese troops, particularly noteworthy is the conduct of a little party of thirty-five, that convoyed a flotilla of provision boats up the Taku-ham river. The flotilla consisted of 18 Chinese river boats, carrying 185 tons of rice and a quantity of preserved plums. It left Taipoh on the evening of the 1st ultimo, and reached Sancheng-yung the following evening.

At that place a portion of the provisions were landed, and early on the morning of the 2nd, the boat resumed the tedious voyage up the river to Taku-ham. After going a little over 1,000 metres, the flotilla was moored to prepare to breakfast. The Japanese soldiers left the boats and entered the stream—some in their clothes and boots and others after having removed a part of these garments—to wash their faces and hands preparatory to the meal. While they were thus engaged, a party of fifteen or sixteen natives assembled on the right bank of the river. Their appearance does not seem to have occasioned any alarm at first, for they carried no weapons and their demeanor presented nothing suspicious. But presently one of them raised a peculiar cry, which was the signal for an instantaneous shower of bullets. But they did not give way to panic. Rapidly taking up their arms and forming themselves into a line, they replied to the enemy's fire. Another party of insurgents having appeared on an embankment on the left bank of the river, the Japanese divided into two bands, one under Sergeant Sakurai crossing to the left bank, and the other, under Corporal Ebashi, remaining on the right bank to check the advance of the enemy from that direction. The insurgents on the hill on the left bank increased in a few minutes to about 500 to 600; and the Balmorals are in the market at \$1.80. In reply to a telegram despatched from here asking when the results of the crushing might be expected, Mr. Grant wired: "Results next week." Ebashi cheered his men, saying that "so long as his eyes remained black" he would never allow the rebels to touch a grain of the provisions under his charge. He also told the soldiers that they must that day place their lives at his disposal. The determined band of thirty-four fought desperately and held the party of several hundred Chinese at bay for four hours. By this time their number was reduced to twenty-four, among the fallen being their brave leader Sergeant Sakurai, who was killed by a bullet that struck him in the breast. Being completely surrounded by a steadily narrowing ring of insurgents, they resolved to charge the bluntest point of the circle. The onset proved successful, but when the line had been cut through, the Japanese found their number diminished to fourteen or fifteen. Then, parading another line of the enemy in front at a distance of 50 or 60 metres, the little band closed up their ranks for another charge. One of them, Corporal Oi, had received a fatal wound in the first charge, but, wrestling a pommel from the enemy he bound it round his hat and prepared to join in the second onset. His place, however, proved greater than his strength. After a few pieces he dropped in his tracks, and crying out, "Comrades, pardon me for going before you!" (Shokun, osaki ni gomen wa komuru), "Hurrah for Japan" ("Tekoku banzai"), he took a bayonet and thrust it into his throat. All this was the work of a moment. The second charge was as successful and as costly as the first. When the little party made their way through the insurgents' line and came out upon a plain, their number had been reduced to nine, Corporal Ebashi and eight privates. The enemy being some distance in the rear, they sat down to consider their future course of action. Corporal Ebashi took cigarettes out of his pocket, and sharing them with his men, they all smoked and rested. Then the Corporal ordered four privates, who alone had escaped un wounded, to carry the news of the fate of the party to head-quarters. As for the other five, who like himself were severely wounded, as proposed that they should be by their own hands rather than be taken prisoners by the enemy. The proposal having been unanimously approved, was carried out in the first instance by two of the most severely wounded, who, drawing their bayonets, plunged them into each other's breast, a mode of ending life very common among Japanese samurai under similar circumstances in former times. Another party immediately followed this example. Last all, Corporal Ebashi, evidently pleased with the heroic manner in which his men had died, calmly committed "hakaret." The surviving four men who, not without deep emotion, had silently watched these operations, took leave of their dead comrades, and hastened on in the direction of a grove at some distance, for the insurgents, were again coming in sight. After passing through the grove, they came out upon the bank of a swamp. One of the men, Tansaka, remembered a story told by some friends that had escaped pursuit during the Satsuma Rebellion by concealing themselves among the reeds of a pond. He, therefore, proposed to hide in the swamp until evening. At first, the rest, thinking it dangerous, fled in the direction of the hill. Tansaka, then left alone, concealed himself as best he could, remaining in the swamp until about eight in the evening. While he was there, the inhabitants of an adjacent village frequently came to wash rice, and on each of these occasions, he was compelled to submerge himself entirely in the water, keeping only his mouth and nostrils above the surface. At about 8 in the evening, it began to thunder and rain heavily. Retracing his steps, Tansaka went over the scene of the day's fight, and emerged at the river where the boats were moored. He observed that six of the boats were still there and that the villagers in the neighbourhood were blazing with camp fires. By this time the storm had passed, and the moon was shining bright and serene. It was, necessary, of course, to avoid the hicks. Tansaka accordingly entered the water and walked down with the current. Shooting an insurgen on the way, he proceeded slowly in this fashion the whole night, until at break of day he heard, to his infinite relief, the sound of horses neighing in a Japanese camp, which he soon reached and made the above report to the Colonel in command of the Regiment stationed there. The other three soldiers are believed to have safely reached the Commandant station at Tainyueuen, and at the date of the letter from which this story is quoted, no definite news had been obtained about their fate.

Kelung and its neighbourhood are quiet, and the inhabitants are said to be well affected towards their new rulers. The management of public affairs is left, for the most part, in the hands of native officials selected by the people, and confirmed by the Governor at Kelung, Mr. Furukawa Yoshikado. The people praise the impartial and liberal manner in which they are treated by their new masters. It is also stated that investigations are being made by the Japanese officials with a view to the improvement of the harbours of Kelung.—*Japan Mail.*

## COMMERCIAL NEWS.

### HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

HONGKONG, August 14th.

Mr. G. H. Potts reports as follows:—

I have to report a very firm market with buyers for most stocks. This is partly in anticipation of the Bank's reducing the rate of interest on overdrafts from 7 to 6 per cent.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai Banks have ruled very firm and sales at \$172 and 175 per cent. premium have been off cited ex dividend of £1.5 per share at ex 2/16 paid on the 12th inst. Nationals are enquired for at \$155 but there are no shares offering under \$25.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Union Insurance Society of Canada shares have been placed in Shanghai at \$8.00 and are stable at the rate.

The directors propose to transfer the sum of

\$35,000 from the Society's exchange fluctuation account to capital account, which will then make the paid up value of a share \$90 and reduce the liability to \$200.

CHINA TRADERS have been in demand

and shares have changed hands at \$70, \$75

and \$80, closing with sellers at the latter rate.

Yankees are enquired for at \$65. North

China have risen to \$12.00 at which rate sales

have been effected. Straits Insurance have been

offered at \$21, \$21.50 and \$22 and more are obtainable at the latter quotation.

Fire INSURANCES.—A fair number of Hong

Kong Fires have been placed at \$22.75 and \$23.

China Fires have been sold at \$8.00 and are wanted.

SHIPPING.—A large business has been done

in Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboats at

\$12.50 and \$13.50 and more shares are wanted at these rates. A few Douglas Steamships are

offering at \$33.

REFINERIES continue neglected and out of

favour.

MINING.—Panjoms are a shade firmer and

sales at \$4.30 and \$4.40 have been effected, in

consequence of better news from the mine and the report that a new reef has been discovered.

Charbonnages have been placed at \$12.00 and also at the same rate for the settlement. New

Balmorals are in the market at \$1.80. In reply

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SHIPPING.—The d'Ambray had thirty

men on board.

DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.—Hongkong

and Whampoa Docks have changed hands at

105 new cent. premium and close firm at the rate.

LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.—Hongkong

Land Investment shares have found ready

buyers at \$60 and Kowloon Lands are enquired for at \$60.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Green Island Cements

have been placed at \$3.00 but are now in the

market at \$1.80. At an extraordinary general

meeting, the following resolution was carried

unanimously:—"That the Capital of the Com-

pany be reduced from \$1,000,000, divided into

20,000 shares of \$100 each, to \$200,000 divided into

20,000 shares of \$10 each, and that such reduc-

tion be effected by cancelling capital which has

been lost or unrepresented by available assets

to the extent of \$40 per share on such of the

14,17 shares which have been issued and are now

outstanding and by rendering the nominal

amount of all the shares in the Company's

capital, from \$60 to \$10 per share." A. S.

Watson has been placed at \$1.80. Hongkong

Electricity have been sold at \$1.80. Hongkong

Ropes are enquired for at \$1.00 but there are no

shares obtainable. Ices have been placed at \$3.00.

A few Daily Farms have been sold at \$1.80.

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

### MAILS DUE:

American (Gallic) 15th inst.

Australian (Tsiman) 16th inst.

Tacoma (Strathmore) 17th inst.

French (Natal) 20th inst.

Indian (Arravon, Asfar) 20th inst.

Canadian (Empress of India) 26th inst.

American (City of Peking) 30th inst.

Intimations.

SOCIÉTÉ FERMÉE DE L'OPIUM AU  
TONKIN  
(EN LIQUIDATION)

SOCIÉTÉ ANONYME AU CAPITAL LE  
1,400,000 FRANCS SIÈGE SOCIAL—  
HANOI.

NOTICE.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby informed that the Sum of Mex. Dollars NINETY (\$90), being the THIRD DIVIDEND due on account of the Company's Assets, is PAYABLE in HONGKONG at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION from the 15th August to the 1st August, 1895, and in HAIPHONG at the BANQUE DE L'INDO CHINE from the 5th September to the 20th September, against presentation of SCRIP.

By Order,  
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.,  
Agents,  
Hongkong, 2nd July, 1895.

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CUSTOMS NOTIFICATION.

No. 6.

NOTICE is hereby given that FRIDAY, the 16th instant (6TH MOON, 26TH DAY), being the BIRTHDAY OF HIS MAJESTY THE EMPEROR OF CHINA, will be observed as a HOLIDAY at the KOWLOON CUSTOMS OFFICE, Opium Examination Office and Stations.

All Examination of Cargo and Clearances of Jucks will be suspended on that date.

H. M. HILLIER,  
Acting Commissioner of Customs  
for Kowloon and District,  
Custom House,  
Kowloon, 13th August, 1895.

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NOTICE.

M. REGINALD ISBELL is prepared to give lessons in PIANO, ORGAN, SINGING and THEORY.

Mr. ISBELL has had several years' successful professional experience in England and the Australian Colonies and has made the Cultivation and Development of the Human Voice a Special Study. Peak and Kowloon visited.

SPECIAL TERMS FOR FAMILIES. Evening Dances, Parties and Socials provided with Selected Music on REASONABLE TERMS.

Arrangements for Lessons can be made by applying to:—

Mr. REGINALD ISBELL,  
c/o Messrs. ROBINSON & Co.,  
Connaught House,  
Hongkong, 22nd July, 1895.

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JUNIOR SALESMAN.

WANTED by a Firm in Bangkok a SMART ENERGETIC YOUTH to Act as above.

Must be steady sober and honest. Apply in own handwriting stating age, experience, salary required, &c.

T. E. P.,  
Post Office,  
Bangkok,  
Bangkok, 27th July, 1895.

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THE PHARMACY.

SPRAY PRODUCERS,  
CUT GLASS BOTTLES,  
SALTZGENOSES,  
MANICURE REQUISITES,  
PINAUD'S PERFUMERY AND TOILET WATERS,  
TONIC KOLA WINE,  
GOLDEN MALTEN,  
FARINA'S EAU DE COLOGNE.

Sole Agents for "TANSAN" the popular Table-Water which contains 8 per cent. more iron carbonate than that from any other Chalybeate Spring.

FLETCHER & Co.,  
and  
CARMICHAEL & Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 12th July, 1895.

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M. R. CHADWICK K.E.W.  
(LATE OF POATE & NOBLE)

HAS OPENED his Dental Rooms at No. 62, QUEEN'S ROAD, CENTRAL, a few doors from Messrs. GAUFF & Co.

TEETH filled permanently, from \$1.00 upwards. CROWN and BRIDGEWORK inserted and EXTRACTED.

PLATES A SPECIALTY.

Hongkong, 7th June, 1895.

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TO SHIPMASTERS.

STEAM WATER-BOAT COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to SUPPLY on shortest notice any quantity of PURE FRESH FILTERED WATER for both DECK and BOILERS.

The only Company in Hongkong exclusively Supplying FILTERED WATER.

Despatch Guaranteed. Call Flag "W."

J. W. K.E.W. & Co.,  
18, Praya Central,  
Hongkong, 17th November, 1895.

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BUSINESS NOTICE.

COAL MERCHANTS AND CHARTERERS,  
No. 44, PRAYA CENTRAL.

T HE Undersigned, having started in Business as  
COAL and TEA MERCHANTS,  
STEVEDORES and  
STOREKEEPERS,

are prepared to Supply Steamers with  
COAL, STORES, &c., &c.,

at moderate prices and respectfully solicit the Patronage of the Shipping Community.

WING CHEONG & Co.,  
No. 44, Praya Central,  
CHUN WING TONG,  
Managing Partner.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895.

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TAK CHEUNG,  
TAILORS AND OUTFITTERS.

WE have This Day REMOVED to Nos. 50 & 52 QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, next to Messrs. CHS. J. GAUFF & Co's.

Hongkong, 25th June, 1895.

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MEE CHEUNG,  
PHOTOGRAPHER,  
TOP FLOOR OF ICE HOUSE, IN  
Ice-House Road.

I S now in a position, in his New and Commodious Premises, to eclipse, as heretofore, ALL PHOTOGRAPHIC ART PRACTICED in the Colony or in any part of the Far East.

GROUPS AND VIEWS  
a specialty.

Hongkong, 22nd September, 1894.

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Intimations.

SUMMER BEVERAGES

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PURE FRUIT SYRUP.

Are immediately prepared from

One tablespoonful of any of these Syrups mixed with a tumblerful of plain or strained water will form a delicious beverage.

Being entirely free from all chemical fruit-flavorings, they can be strongly recommended for Home use and for Children and Invalids. Also for Picnics, Boating and Garden Parties, Soirées, &c.

One Bottle makes from 30 to 40 ordinary glasses.

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HOTEL METROPOLE,  
1, TSUKUJI, TOKYO.

(1)

FIRST-CLASS HOTELS, centrally situated, well-furnished, the Cuisine under the Supervision of approved French Chef has no equal ENTIRE FOREIGN MANAGEMENT, Experienced English matron in attendance.

The Hotel steam-launch with European Agent attends arrivals and departures; every assistance given in clearing luggage and affording information. Passengers are met at the Railway Station.

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C. T. BENNEY, Manager,  
YOKOHAMA.

L. DEWETTE, Manager,  
TOKYO.

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NOTICE!

NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR DEBTS.

Neither the CAPTAIN, the AGENTS, nor the OWNERS will be RESPONSIBLE for any DEBTS contracted by the Officers or members of the Crews of the following Vessels during their stay in Hongkong Harbour:—

ARGYLL, Brit. str., Capt. Duncan—Dedwell, Carill & Co.

CHITTAGONG, Brit. str., Capt. Davey—Shewar & Co.

FORT STUART, Brit. str., Capt. Fletcher—Standard Oil Co.

FOYLE, Brit. str., Capt. Stanney—Shewar & Co.

FRED. P. LITCHFIELD, Amer. str., Capt. Chadbourne—Master.

GEOR. S. HOMER, Amer. str., Capt. Hemeon—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

GISELA, Austrian str., Capt. Mittel—Sander & Co.

LUNDHURST, Brit. str., Capt. Martin—Gibb, Livingston & Co.

SARRANO, Amer. str., Capt. Waterhouse—Chinese.

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REGON PINE SPARS and LUMBER

Always on Hand.

L. MALLORY, Manager,  
Hongkong, 12th June, 1895.

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First Quality Iron,

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From Calcutta, as S.S. "AGLAIA," trans-

ported at Colombo.

From Trieste, as S.S. "ORION," trans-

ported at Bombay.

Optional Cargo will go on to Shanghai unless notice to the contrary is given before Noon TO-MORROW.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Claims must be sent in to the Undersigned, before Noon on the 18th instant, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 18th instant, will be subject to rent.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SANDER & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1895.

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GLEN'S LINE OF STEAM PACKETS.

FROM LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship

"GLENFALLOCH"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice to the contrary is given before 3 P.M. TO-DAY.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 19th instant, will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Consignees are requested to present all Claims for damages and/or shortages not later than the 26th instant, otherwise they will not be recognized.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1895.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"WING-SANG"

having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods, will be landed from steamer.

Cargo Impeding the discharge of remaining cargo after Noon of the 15th instant, will be landed at Colombo, and will be transported to Calcutta.

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Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 12th August, 1895.

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NOTICE.

THE BEST PREVENTIVE OF ALL